

SENATOR MARSH: This is your time.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Okay, I have one other question. Can you tell me something about the qualifications of the staff, because I have asked and I have been unable to find any job description or any resumes for the counsellors or the people who are called counsellors that are working in these centers and I genuinely do not know what their qualifications are.

SENATOR MARSH: I think that is probably my fault Senator Scofield, because I did not know you were interested in this information and I certainly could have obtained this for you. I do not have it at my finger tips. I do feel that it is an important question and deserves an answer and I will try to get the material to you. I have talked, I have visited programs, I have talked with staff, I am very pleased and I am also hearing from persons who have benefited from the counseling, from the training which has taken place through the Displaced Homemakers Program. I also am aware that federal dollars don't magically appear and that they are not in a position to be used as replacement dollars for state dollars that once were available. There are to be some dollars available through federal dollars but those dollars aren't even going to be available to our state if we swoop away the state dollars. They were to be used for a different purpose than our current programming is. They were designed for training for the people who are working in these centers. We need the centers and that would be great, but we haven't had enough dollars to do that and we won't even have the chance if we cut out our state dollars, in my estimation.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you. I just want to say that I think if we are going to provide this service, we owe it to the entire state to provide it to everybody. I intend to come in and ask for it for Chadron. I would assume that maybe Senator Nichol would want it for Scottsbluff more than he now has it. I would assume Senator Smith here might want it for Hastings. I think Senator Morehead might just want it for Beatrice, so when you cast this vote I want you to think about your alternatives. Now this is a wild figure, I will not stand by it but I just did a quick proportional thing based on Senator Warner's guess that it might take 20 agencies to do this and cover the state and if my math is correct, we're talking something over \$3 million to serve